

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

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AMUSEMENTS

BAKER THEATRE—Eleventh and Morrison. "The Merry Widow" tonight at 8:15. CRISTHEM THEATRE—Marion, between Erie and Seventh. "The Merry Widow" tonight at 8:15.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

Orders for copies of the New Year's Oregonian, which will be issued on January 1, 1912, to be sent to friends, should be sent to The Oregonian at once.

UNIVERSALISTS HELP POOR.—The children and young folks of the Universalist Sunday school at Broadway and East Twenty-fourth street were among the most generous givers to the needy in this Christmas season.

HARRISMAN LECTURE.—The Harrisman lecture bureau is to attract the attention of American people to points in their own country, that they do not want to see to Europe for scenery.

SUIT SETTLED OUT OF COURT.—Since the present term of the Federal Court opened six suits against corporations in which recovery for personal injuries have been settled before reaching a jury.

PERPETRATOR OF ROBBERY.—The woman alleged Kleinsure entered her apartments, at 228 Couch street, handcuffed her and placed her under arrest.

FATHER CONVICTED OF CRIME.—Probation Officer White, of the Juvenile Court, yesterday received a telegram from Napoleon, N. D., stating that E. F. Apley was convicted at Jamestown, N. D., on December 22 of a statutory crime against his daughter.

MARRIED AT SPOKANE.—Cards have been received in Portland announcing the marriage at Spokane, December 25, 1911, of Mrs. F. L. Ellis to Fred S. Bender by the Rev. Father Hagan.

LIFE INSURANCE SUITS RESOLVED.—Two suits against the New York Life Insurance Company were filed yesterday in the United States Circuit Court.

OWNERS OF AUTOMOBILES.—Our shops have been reorganized to handle general repair work and overhauling with dispatch.

NEW YEAR AT THE BOWERS.—There will be the most elaborate and entertaining celebration of New Year's eve ever held in Portland at the Bowers hotel on Saturday from 4:30 to 12 midnight.

WORK STARTS ON SEWER SYSTEM.—Work has been started on the sewer system for Westportland. Pipe is being delivered on the streets in the addition.

MORTGAGE AUCTION SALE OF ANTIQUE FURNITURE.—We have been instructed to close out at auction the stock of the Baltimore Antique Furniture Company.

THE CARLETON HOTEL has a limited number of elegantly-furnished rooms, single or en suite; special rates made to permanent guests.

MILLS COLLEGE near Oakland, Cal., a woman's college, Spring semester opens January 10. Luella Clay Carson, L. D. president. For catalogue address Registrar.

VISIT THE OREGON IN WINTER.—The climate is very mild and the tourist Hotel Gearhart was never more attractive. Winter rates, 25 per day. American plan.

THE regular meeting of the Fruit and Flower Mission will be held at the day nursery, 25 North Ninth street, Thursday, January 4, 1912.

FOR SALE—North-east corner Tenth and Gilliam (1601-1602). Spring term opens January 10. Luella Clay Carson, L. D. president. For catalogue address Registrar.

OUTSIDE OFFICE in Wilcox building to rent, waiting room, both phones; references exchanged. V 879, Oregonian.

ROCK SPRING LUMP—COAL. \$8.75. Beaverhill, 49, Main 258. W. R. STEARNS.

THE HOT SPA.—Special breakfast served from 6 to 11 A. M. Mrs. O. F. AXIN, Corbett bldg., has returned.

SEATING today all day Oaks Rink.

R. W. FOSTER GOES UP

Popular Railroad Man Is Made Commercial Agent.

MOVE MEANS PROMOTION

Starting as Stenographer He Steadily Advances Until He Is Appointed to Important Position in Burlington Service.

Announcement was made yesterday of the promotion of R. W. Foster, a popular railroad man, from the position of assistant general agent to that of commercial agent of the Burlington.

The business of the Burlington in the Pacific Northwest has increased with the general development of the territory and it has reached such volume as to require closer official attention.

Mr. Foster, who was born in Grady County, Georgia, came to Oregon in 1872, and was with the railroad for many years.

He has a host of business friends who will be greatly pleased at his promotion, no one more than Mr. Sheldon, who has been his superior for many years.

Mr. Foster is a man of high character and ability, and his promotion is a recognition of his long and faithful service to the Burlington.

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in a series of endorsements of the Certificate of Title system by bankers, lawyers and real estate men—reasons why a Certificate of Title furnishes the BEST protection to buyers and mortgagees of real estate

"It has sometimes been argued that investments in real estate are objectionable on account of the slowness in making transfers. Certainly the use of a certificate of title has largely obviated this objection." Chas. L. Batchelder, Attorney-at-Law, Los Angeles, California.

TITLE

AND TRUST COMPANY Lewis Building, Fourth and Oak

mind, rushes down the 19 stories and reaching the sidewalk he catches the safe and saves the heroine, but is immediately arrested for robbing the safe. A knife battle between the female hero and the heroine is stayed by the opportune appearance of a mouse, but is desperately resumed when the rodent disappears through a hole in the floor. The Trio continues to be a bright particular spot on the bill.

"Vanity Fair," in three reels, at the Star Theater, was evidence of the remarkable progress the last year has made in photo play production. Thackeray's great book in dramatized form was never more adequately presented.

The central feature of the film was the portrayal of Becky Sharp by Miss Helen Gardner. As played by her, Becky had not a single redeeming feature. Her miserable end was artistically enacted. The production is high grade throughout.

Four films are offered at the Arcade Theater, where the feature is a side-splitting farce comedy entitled "Fair-in-law," or words to that effect. This woman is a perfect ogre and for a time makes earth anything but a paradise for a son-in-law.

Three Western pictures make up the program at the Olympia Theater, and the line sentimental drama heads the list at the Tivoli Theater.

John F. Stevens to Call. George M. McDowell Says Railroad Builder May Come Next Month.

George M. McDowell, general manager of the Ruth Trust Company, has just returned from New York, where he visited John F. Stevens, president of the North Bank road and Hill line in Oregon.

Mr. Stevens has fully recovered from the attack of rheumatism with which he suffered previous to his recent trip to Europe and that he is in excellent health.

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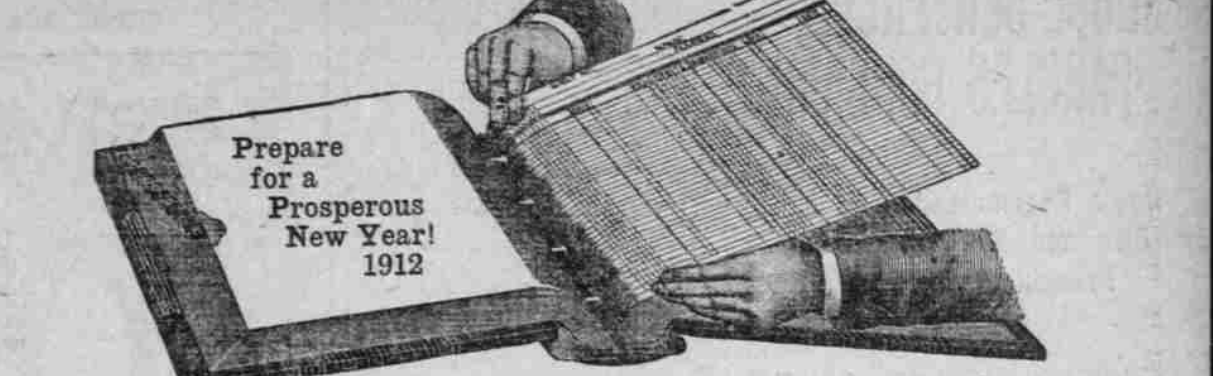
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- FIRST PRIZE, \$25 SECOND PRIZE, \$10 THIRD PRIZE, \$5

The articles should deal with actual, concrete personal experiences of home-winning and home-building, setting forth, step by step, the progress toward the achievement, from the time of making the first payment on a lot or acreage to the realization of the ambition. It is not necessary that homes be entirely paid for. Articles will appear in the Sunday Oregonian. Photographs are desirable, but will not be considered in awarding prizes. The right is reserved of running in the Sunday Oregonian stories not awarded prizes. The following simple directions should be observed:

- 1. Articles should not be more than 800 words in length. 2. The writer should be a bona fide homeowner, or a member of a homeowner's family. 3. Write on one side of paper only. 4. Sign writer's correct name and address. 5. Mail articles to City Editor of The Oregonian. 6. Prizes will be awarded Wednesday of each week.

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